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Since the last letter we have shipped a sextant trainer to

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at [REDACTED]. This is a scale model of our entire

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installation with an assimilated cockpit. It will be used for training

drivers in the future. On April 4 we shipped 6 roof mirrors to

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Warehouse B and this completes our commitment on this item. On

April 9 we shipped unit No. 2 to Warehouse A at [REDACTED] Unit 28

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was overhauled last weekend and returned to the Ranch. This week
we have No. 35 back for an overhaul and have installed new optics which
include a new mirror, 45° prism, and new reticle. This is the first

unit in which a heated bubble has been installed. It will be returned to

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[REDACTED] this weekend and we will await results on its flight
performance. We now believe that every instrument leaving the plant
will have a heated bubble installed in it. Kits are now being assembled
and should be forwarded to our field representatives within a week. These
kits will include heated bubble assemblies plus other equipment which might
be needed for installation at the different bases.

It will be at least another week before instrument No. 14 will
be returned to [REDACTED]. This instrument is undergoing a complete overhaul
because of oil vapor damage.

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We received a letter [REDACTED] dated 3 April. John
has made necessary arrangements and should be leaving for the ZI on
April 11. Arrangements have been made with [REDACTED] at B to cover
the equipment in John's absence.

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Received a letter from [REDACTED] C dated April 5.

Everything is going very smoothly at Detachment C. All his equipment arrived in excellent condition and is now operative. His only concern is that a spare unit was not included in his FAK. This should be straightened out [REDACTED]

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Received [REDACTED] correspondence dated 9 April in which he reports that despite the number of units at [REDACTED] our 25X1A6a equipment is under control. The sextant trainer has already been put in use and has received a favorable reception. Rumors are now taking on a more concrete form and it appears that the Ranch will be closed by May 1 and moved elsewhere.

Because of problems with security clearance 25X1A9a it now appears that [REDACTED] our new field representative, will be leaving our plant approximately May 3 instead of April 15. Further details will be worked out later.

Mark III handles are now in production and the first five will be shipped late next week. 25X1A9a [REDACTED] going to the west coast on April 22 to supervise and coordinate their installation. The balance of the order will be shipped within 30 days.

Until next week.

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